

Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2010
Technology Park
10:00 AM

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am.

Members present:

David Barrick
Warren Winner
Matt Embrey
Russ Blow
Bob Montminy
George Lankford
Dave Cullen

Staff present:

Michael Berg
Amanda Davis
Jimmy Burch

The minutes of the October 2009 minutes were presented. There was one correction. Russ stated that his information was that all E Series Ford ambulances would be changing to gasoline engines, not all ambulances.

Motion made by Dave Cullen to accept minutes as corrected.
Motion was seconded by Warren Winner.
Motion passed

Old business:

Michael updated the committee on the status of the revised regulation. Public hearings have been held and comments taken. The process is continuing with no definite date for implementation.

Grant reviews:

There were 28 grant applications reviewed for ambulance purchases.

Bob Montminy abstained from Grant # NV-C01.
Russ Blow abstained from Grant # TI-C04

The Best Practices for ambulance contract purchases document for the web was discussed. Jimmy will consolidate all the submitted comments into the final document and send it out by email to be reviewed before being present for addition to the OEMS web page.

George asked about the need to adjust price amounts for grant request as prices continued to increase. Amanda noted she uses the Consumer Price Index along with current pricing to adjust the award prices as needed.

David Barrick informed the committee that there would be no need to continue with the SWOT Analysis as the Advisory Board has made its recommendations concerning committee structure. Those recommendations should be forthcoming at the next advisory board meeting.

The function of the Transportation Committee was discussed. This is a result of the advisory board reviewing the function of all committees to see if there is a need to combine or discontinue any of the current committees of the board. Michael asked aside from grant reviews what the functions of the committee are. There is no longer an ambulance contract. The equipment requirements for ambulances that were previously reviewed by the committee are now being handled by the Regulation and Policy Committee. Russ asked if it would be possible for the committee to ask agencies to voluntarily report ambulance accidents for any lessons learned concerning safety. He noted that there have been several occasions where straps or cabinet doors securing equipment had failed. There was discussion about asking agencies to voluntarily report their findings to be able to share safety concerns and lessons learned with other agencies. No decision was made, this will be discussed further at the next meeting. Michael informed the committee that Frank Cheatum was working on a program for Symposium concerning highway incident safety. He suggested Frank could be very helpful in developing or assisting with this project.

The next meeting will be August 2nd at 1:00 PM at OEMS.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.